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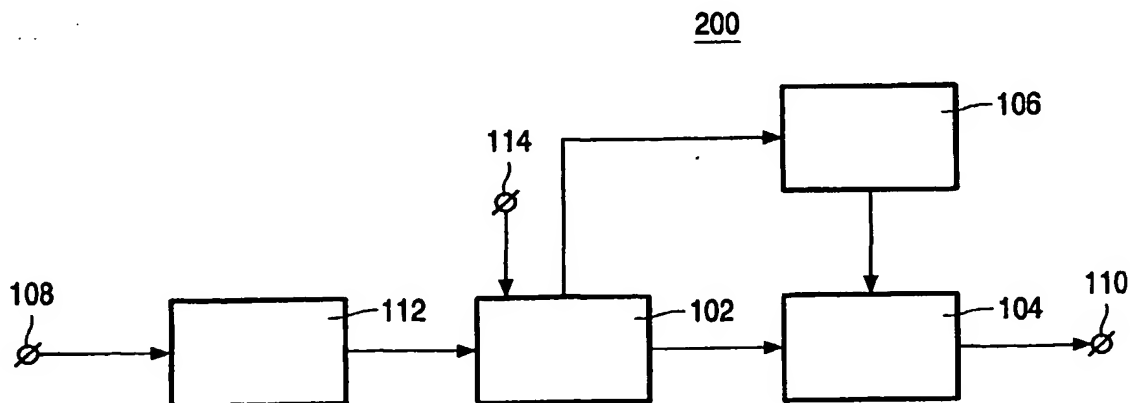
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(57) Abstract: An image conversion unit (200) for converting a first input image with a first resolution into an output image with a second resolution, comprises a coefficient-calculating means (106) for calculating a first filter coefficient on basis of pixel values of the first input image and of pixel values of a second input image. The coefficient-calculating means (106) is arranged to control an adaptive filtering means (104) for calculating a pixel value of the output image on basis of an input pixel value of the first image and the first filter coefficient.



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